

If you are a newcomer to Ontario and have a diploma or degree from another country, you may need to have your academic credentials or training recognized in order to join the labour market or enter a training or educational program. You will therefore need an assessment of your academic credentials in relation to Ontario educational standards. This brochure provides information on a number of assessment services currently available in Canada.

The services listed in this brochure provide assessments primarily for employment purposes and not necessarily for purposes of obtaining professional certification or licensing or admission to postsecondary institutions. Educational institutions and occupational regulatory bodies generally do their own assessments. It is therefore important to check with the organization from which you are seeking recognition before you begin the assessment process.

Organizations that provide assessments charge a fee for their services, which are offered in English and/or French. If your documents are not in English or French, you will have to have them translated before they can be assessed. You may want to contact the Association of Translators and Interpreters of Ontario, at (613) 241-2846 or toll-free at 1-800-234-5030, for information about translation services.

*The following list of assessment services is provided for information only. No official endorsement or required use of these services is implied by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.*

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## ASSESSMENT SERVICES

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### IN ONTARIO

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#### World Education Services – Canada

45 Charles Street East, Suite 700  
Toronto ON M4Y 1S2

Tel: (416) 972-0070  
Toll-free: 1-866-343-0070  
Fax: (416) 972-9004  
ontario@wes.org  
www.wes.org

Evaluates secondary and postsecondary credentials and compares them to similar Ontario credentials. Evaluations may be used to seek employment or show proof of education. Detailed and customized assessments are available to meet all needs. Reports are available in English and French.

#### Ontario Comparative Education Service

University of Toronto  
Admissions and Awards  
315 Bloor Street West  
Toronto ON M5S 1A3

Tel: (416) 978-2185  
Fax: (416) 978-7022  
ask@admin.utoronto.ca

Evaluates secondary and postsecondary credentials for employment purposes. Services are available in English and French, but assessment reports are available in English only.

#### Academic Credential Evaluation Service (ACES)

York University, Admissions Office  
Room 150, Atkinson College  
4700 Keele Street  
North York ON M3J 1P3

Tel: (416) 736-5787  
Fax: (416) 736-5536  
dstadnic@yorku.ca  
http://www.yorku.ca

Evaluates secondary and postsecondary credentials for general purposes (employment, academic, or immigration). Services are available in English and French, but assessment reports are available in English only.

#### International Credential Assessment Service of Canada (ICAS)

147 Wyndham Street North, Suite 409  
Guelph ON N1H 4E9

Tel: (519) 763-7282  
Toll-free: 1-800-321-6021  
Fax: (519) 763-6964  
icas@sympatico.ca  
http://www.icascanada.ca

Evaluates all documents at any educational level to provide assistance with employment, education, or career planning. General, detailed, and customized reports are available to meet all needs. Reports are available in English and French.



## ASSESSMENT SERVICES

## IN OTHER PROVINCES

### International Qualifications Assessment Service (IQAS)

Sterling Place, 4th Floor  
9940-106 Street  
Edmonton AB T5K 2N2

Tel: (780) 427-2655  
Fax: (780) 422-9734  
iqas@gov.ab.ca

Provides assessment services for general employment purposes and entry into selected postsecondary institutions and selected professional licensing bodies. Documents are accepted in English and French, but assessment reports are available in English only.

### International Credentials Evaluation Service (ICES)

Open Learning Agency  
4355 Mathissi Place  
Burnaby BC V5G 4S8  
Tel: (604) 431-3402  
Fax: (604) 431-3382  
icesinfo@ola.bc.ca  
<http://www.ola.bc.ca/ices>

ICES evaluates formal educational credentials and compares them to Canadian credentials in official evaluation reports. These reports assist individuals, employers, and elected regulatory bodies and educational institutions to understand and recognize international credentials in a Canadian context.

### Service des équivalences d'études

Direction des opérations régionales  
Ministère des Relations avec les citoyens  
et de l'immigration  
800, boulevard de Maisonneuve Est,  
2<sup>e</sup> étage

Montréal QC H2L 4L8

Tel: (514) 864-9191

Fax: (514) 873-8701

[equivalences@mrci.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:equivalences@mrci.gouv.qc.ca)

<http://www.immq.gouv.qc.ca/equivalences>

The ministry issues an official document entitled "Avis d'équivalence d'études", which indicates the corresponding level of study in the Quebec education system for studies pursued outside Quebec. This document allows employers and educational institutions to make informed decisions with regard to the hiring or admission of individuals who have studied or trained outside Quebec.

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**How can I have my  
foreign educational  
credentials assessed?**